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Encl: {1} Basic History

1. In accordance with references {a} and {b}, enclosure {1} is hereby submitted.

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PART I - BRIEF CHRONOLOGY

1 - 7 JAN 79	INPORT MAYPORT, FL
8 - 10 JAN 79	ENROUTE YORKTOWN, VA
10 - 11 JAN 79	OFFLOAD OF AMMUNITION IN YORKTOWN, VA
12 - 13 JAN 79	ENROUTE TO PHILADELPHIA, PA
14 - 15 JAN 79	PENNS LANDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA
15 JAN	ENTER PHILADELPHIA NAVAL SHIPYARD FOR ROH
16 - 20 DEC 79	SEA TRIALS
20 - 31 DEC 79	INPORT PHILADELPHIA NAVAL SHIPYARD

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## PART II - BASIC NARRATIVE

The beginning of 1979 found the guided missile destroyer USS CHARLES F. ADAMS {DDG-2} preparing for her upcoming overhaul. ADAMS departed Mayport for the last time in 1979 on 8 January for a weapons and ammunition offload at the Naval Weapons Station, Yorktown, VA. Following a swift offload in Yorktown, ADAMS turned north for Philadelphia, PA.

After two days of open house at Penns Landing in Philadelphia, USS CHARLES F. ADAMS entered the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard for a major year long overhaul on 15 January 1979.

While in the yards, many changes and improvements were made in the weapons systems, main propulsion plants and messing and berthing areas. A new Twin Dome Pair Sonar System was installed as well as a new Air Search Radar. In what was called the Turn-Around Program, the ASROC Launcher, MK 11 missile launcher and the missile fire control radars, were all removed from the ship, overhauled elsewhere, and returned for reinstallation. A new Gunfire Control System {MK 68 Mod 16} was also installed in the gunnery spaces. And finally, Harpoon capabilities were added to the missile system.

In addition to the above, every valve in the engine and boiler spaces was checked and overhauled; all four boilers were overhauled inside and out; and a new CHT system was installed.

Improvements were made to the messing and berthing spaces onboard. The entire ship was chipped to bare metal, primed and repainted.

During the year in the shipyards, 105,000 mandays were expended by the shipyard workforce, and 25,000 by the ship's force in industrial work. The total cost of the overhaul was in excess of \$40 million dollars.

USS CHARLES F. ADAMS entered drydock number five at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard on 3 February. She remained there until undocking on 30 July 1979.

The engineering crew successfully passed LOE on 15 October. The final major event for CHARLES F. ADAMS during calendar year 1979 was sea trials from 16 December through 20 December.

USS CHARLES F. ADAMS is the first in her class of guided missile destroyers and is currently assigned to Destroyer Squadron TWELVE and was commanded during 1979 by Commander John A. NARCISO.

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MUSTER ROLL OF OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1979

J. A. NARCISO / COMMANDING OFFICER / COMMANDER  
W. M. WASOWSKI / EXECUTIVE OFFICER / LIEUTENANT COMMANDER  
F. C. MARCELL / WEAPONS OFFICER / LIEUTENANT  
T. F. HUGHES / WEAPONS OFFICER / LIEUTENANT  
R. W. VERVOORN / ENGINEER OFFICER / LIEUTENANT  
T. F. HARTRICK / OPERATIONS OFFICER / LIEUTENANT  
A. S. BOND / SUPPLY OFFICER / LIEUTENANT  
T. L. METZ / FIRE CONTROL OFFICER / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
J. D. KELLEY / COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
R. S. PANASITI/COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER / ENSIGN  
S. C. WHITE / FIRST LIEUTENANT / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
R. J. ERICSON / FIRST LIEUTENANT / ENSIGN  
R. B. BRUNSON / CIC OFFICER / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
C. J. ALLEN / CIC OFFICER / ENSIGN  
J. R. GILBERT / ASW OFFICER / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
D. R. REILLY / DISBURSING OFFICER / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
J. P. MARQUES / GUNNERY OFFICER / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
J. J. FLOOD / GUNNERY OFFICER / ENSIGN  
R. N. ROBERTSON / DCA / LIEUTENANT {Junior Grade}  
T. BEATTY / MPA / ENSIGN  
R. E. TRICE / NAVIGATOR / ENSIGN  
R. G. HERRICK / EMO / CW02  
J. M. SPRYS / PSI STEAM / CW03